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# THE MORNING NEWS

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Aruba Airport Authority N.V.  
reports strong increase of 5.3%  
in traffic figures for the first 6  
months of 2011

*Latin America strongest growing market*



ORANJESTAD – Aruba Airport Authority announced traffic results over the first six (6) months of 2011 which showed a strong increase in traffic. Compared to January-June 2010, the figures for commercial passengers were up (5.3%) and flights were up (3.6%) accounting for a total amount of 25,000 more passengers compared to January-June 2010, indicating strong demand for seats to the island.

Airports Council Interna-

tional's World Annual Traffic Report released this month's details: a "strong rebound from the two-year industry slump," the organization noted, pointing out that worldwide airport passengers increased 6.6% in 2010, 6% in the first half 2011. ACI noted that "69% of airports worldwide registered positive passenger growth at an average of 8.6%, while 30% of airports lost traffic at an average rate of -4.1%."

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## RBTT/RBC Bank sponsors the 4th edition of "Lens di mi Wowonan"

September 1 is Dia di Prensa –News Day, on Aruba, when the island gives the hard-working members of the news media a pat on the back for keeping the public informed, and a number of institutions fete Aruban reporters and news photographers.

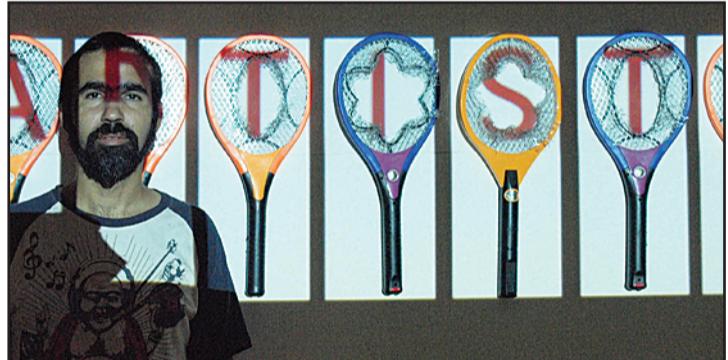
RBTT/RBC Bank was proud to announce they will again mark this day with the opening of a new photographic exposition organized by popular photographer and cameraman, Leo Vrolijk. Leo was first inspired to convince his colleagues in the media to submit their favorite images from the news in 2008 in an exposition he named "Lens di mi Wowonan," or "Lens of my Eyes," in Papiamento.

RBTT/RBC President Edna Farro was proud to announce the continued sponsorship by the bank for this year's collection, consisting of over 150 photographs from 33 members of the active press, as well as contributions from freelance photographers.

In 2009, it became a practice to pay tribute to a pioneer of the Aruban press corps;



Django Simoons, Edna Farro and Leo Vrolijk



Ryan Oduber and work Artist for Sale

this year Django Simoons, a 44-year veteran of news photography on Aruba, is the honoree. As they did last year, a memorial book of all



Baby iguana

the works submitted will be beautifully bound and presented to RBTT/RBC Bank and Django. The gala opening will take place on Thursday evening, September 1, at Insight Art Gallery in Paradera at 7:30 PM.

Leo reports the submissions for this year's exhibit also include a variety of nature and landscape shots, portraits of new personalities, and a diversity of subjects.

by Rosalie Klein

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## US concerned individuals at risk after WikiLeaks dump

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States on Tuesday voiced renewed concern over the risks to individuals after the anti-secrecy site WikiLeaks made public more US diplomatic cables, many of which contained the names of sensitive sources.

State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland would not confirm the authenticity of the latest documents, but said "the United States strongly condemns any illegal disclosure of classified information.

"In addition to damaging our diplomatic efforts, it puts individuals' security at risk, threatens our national security and undermines our effort to work with countries to solve shared problems," Nuland told reporters.

Nuland was alluding to a policy that experts said involved US efforts to come to the aid of sources who ran the

risk of being exposed, including possibly relocating them.

The New York Times reported that the latest dump of 133,887 confidential and secret documents included many containing the names of sensitive sources who could be at risk of reprisals if they were known to be talking to US diplomats.

In a Twitter message, the anti-secrecy website said it was "totally false that any WikiLeaks sources have been exposed or will be exposed."

However, in sampling half a dozen cables written between 2003 and 2009 where the author wrote "protect source," AFP observed that all but one of them had the name of the source removed.

After WikiLeaks obtained around 250,000 cables and released the first batch of them in November last year, the US State Department has been exposed to embarrassing revelations about how it viewed foreign government officials.

Diplomats worried the disclosures would make it harder to do their work because officials, representatives of non-government organizations, activists and others would hesitate to talk to them privately for fear of being exposed.

However, experts said WikiLeaks was much more careful about editing out the names of US government sources in the first batch of released documents.

That is not the case in the latest batch, according to Steven Aftergood, a specialist on government secrecy at the Federation of American Scientists who reviewed dozens of cables and found only one case where the source was removed.

He said the consequences for the sources range from losing the confidence of the people they usually deal with to

actually losing their jobs. "In some extreme cases," he added, they may be in "personal jeopardy."

"The point is that they (WikiLeaks) have changed their practice and that the kinds of information that they were redacting as recently as a few months ago is now being put out in the open," Aftergood said.

Meanwhile, Human Rights First's President and Chief Executive Officer Elisa Massimino worried about the impact of the latest leaks.

WILMINGTON (AFP) - US rescuers battled Tuesday to reach thousands cut off by flooding in towns across Vermont, New Jersey and upstate New York as the death toll from Hurricane Irene climbed towards 50.

Emergency provisions had to be airlifted in to dozens of communities stranded by floodwaters as unprecedented weekend rains dumped by the massive storm system washed away roads and sent rivers cascading over their banks.

President Barack Obama dispatched senior officials to survey some of the worst of the damage as rescuers in boats ferried thousands of people -- including the elderly, small children and babies -- to safety.

Although the much-hyped direct-hit on New York failed to translate into major damage to America's most populous city, heavy rain in places like the Catskill Mountains proved a ticking disaster time-bomb.

Two days after its passage, thousands of marooned families were still waiting anxiously for the national guard



MEDELLIN : An activist places on the ground pictures of people disappeared during the armed conflict during the International Day of the Disappeared on August 30, 2011 in Medellin, Antioquia department, Colombia. Colombia has 61,604 people missing since 1942, of whom 16,655 cases of enforced disappearance, People Defender Volmar Perez said.

AFP PHOTO

## US rescues thousands stranded by Irene

and firefighters to bring food and water after their towns were swamped by the floodwaters.

The main highway to Wilmington, Vermont was clogged with mud and Irene had turned other roads into deathtrap chasms after dumping two months worth of rain (8.3 inches, 21 centimeters) in less than a day.

The drastic situation was mirrored in parts of New Jersey and upstate New York, where schools and community centers turned into makeshift Red Cross emergency shelters were nearing full capacity.

In Paterson, New Jersey, teams in rubber motorboats

rescued and evacuated people non-stop after the Passaic River crested 13 feet (four meters) above flood stage, its highest level since 1903.

Millions of Americans remained without electricity, many farther south in states like Virginia and North Carolina, where Irene's winds were strongest as the storm barreled up the eastern seaboard on Saturday and Sunday.

More trouble was on the way though as Tropical Storm Katia formed in the Atlantic, forecast to become a category 3 hurricane by Saturday or Sunday as it nears the Caribbean with winds topping 120 miles per hour.

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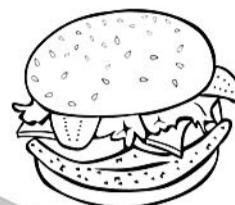
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## Holland envisions opportunities together with the Caribbean

ORANJESTAD -- The government of Aruba is well pleased with the positive report from the Dutch on their vision of External Relations in the Caribbean. They see opportunities for forming a trampoline between the countries in Latin America. Such a relationship, they believe, will benefit all the partners in the Dutch Kingdom. Aruba was always of the opinion that such a liaison should be established and is pleased to discover that Holland is thinking along the same lines as Aruba. In a publication broadcasted over Radio Nederland Wereldomroep in Holland it was reported that... "the Dutch Cabinet is viewing the Caribbean Region differently and is in search of economic opportunities for all the partners in the Kingdom." It went on to state that...."the Dutch Caribbean is an important trampoline for the growing economies of Brazil, Mexico, Panama and Colombia."

The document detailing the position of Dutch External Relations in the Caribbean was submitted last Friday to the Second Chamber. The document also mentions what would be the responsibilities and obligations of the Dutch Government with respect to the Caribbean and what priorities they would choose to imple-

ment.

To determine what would be their priorities, Holland met with various Departments of External Affairs and the Plenipotentiary Ministers of Aruba, Curacao and St. Maarten.

The document indicates that the Dutch Kingdom is intent on maintaining excellent contact and communication with the neighboring countries. And, where possible they want to intensify the ties of collaboration on an economic, political and security platform. According to Dutch Minister Uri Rosenthal, "as Minister of the Dutch Kingdom I can open doors for our four countries. Because of the synergy between Holland, Aruba, Curacao and St. Maarten, we can direct our commerce to Latin and Central America. In this way we can reinforce the Dutch Kingdom in its totality. It is understood that the Netherlands will continue to work actively in guaranteeing the safety of our region. This they will do, for example, by continuing to fiercely combat illegal activities like drug trafficking, the trafficking of people and money laundering. In this context the Dutch Kingdom has made firm agreements with the Organization of American States (OAS).

According to the Aruba

government, the document from the Netherlands with respect to the above is an affirmation that Aruba's efforts and resolve has gotten their attention. Prime Minister Eman has been talking about the developments in Latin and Central America and co-operation with this region and the Dutch Kingdom for quite some time now. He has often stated that there will be only great benefits for all the parties of the Dutch Kingdom.

The excellent geographical position of the Dutch Caribbean islands, their knowledge of the regional culture and their political stability are the ideal basis upon which we can form that trampoline to achieve our ultimate goal.

In a recent discourse by the Prime Minister in the Hague, he made the statement that it was time for us to ..."get to work on the possibilities (in the region) and realize them, Aruba wants to play an important role in this."

The research has been done, the information is in our hands, and the possibility for entering the economically strong and progressive Latin American market; and for embarking on the robust Brazilian market is tremendous. These markets offer the Dutch Kingdom and Dutch entrepreneurs a myriad of opportunities for doing business and vice versa. Aruba and the other Dutch islands in the Dutch Caribbean stand to benefit greatly from this development.

The Aruba Prime Minister was delighted to learn of Holland's intent which coincides with the direction in which he wants to steer Aruba.

## New Labor Department making big Stripes



DPL Building in Seroe Blanco

ORANJESTAD -- Although very young, the new Department for Labor Progression (DPL) is pleasing employers and employees and has won the approval of all those who have requested their services of late. In a recent press conference, the Minister of Labor, Otmar Oduber, indicated that there is quite some enthusiasm about the new formula being used for job seekers. During the press conference, which was held in the premises of the DPL's new facilities at Seroe Blanco, the Minister reported on a meeting that was held that very morning with a group of employers and a few employees.

The Department and the Minister talked with the 5 employers and about 20 employees who were attended by DPL during the past two weeks. The reactions were extremely positive regarding the service and the rapid response in processing their petitions. There were those who found work within one day.

Regrettably, in the midst of all the positive reports, there was also the negative report of employers announcing fictitious job vacancies. However, DPL now has a system in place to detect and weed out said deceptive practices by some employers. That form of deception is

now a thing of the past with their new and very structured system.

According to Minister Oduber, there is now a very stringent system in place with respect to petitions for permit prolongations and the advice for first permits. There is a much more careful and deliberate scrutiny than was practiced in the past.

There were also those who came seeking a job, but later it turned out that they were not serious. Oduber indicated that this was to be expected. He cited the reason for this. As example, there are employees who were sent home after just one day of work because they wanted to smoke marihuana on the job, which obviously cannot be tolerated. Such people cannot be helped no matter what type of job you give them.

Then there was the case where two persons who began their new jobs on Thursday, but on Friday after about two hours of work they reported that they were not returning to work because they were going on a three weeks vacation. Others after working two days, on Monday they called in to report that they had to go to the Census Bureau...but who never returned to work.

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# Good Morning! Starbucks opens at Paseo Herencia Mall

Eager fans of famous Starbucks' coffees were lined up at Paseo Herencia Mall yesterday morning to start their day with their favorite addictive brew as Store Manager Shakira Finsy-Arrindell and Renaissance Resort F & B Manager John Grigg cut the ribbon on the franchise's newest outlet on Aruba.

The stylish coffee shop has a light, breezy ambiance suited to this tropical by-the-beach location, a trademark of Starbucks, to capture the mood of the area. Noted island artist Stan Kuiperi was commissioned to create the attractive mural "The Coffee Belt" on rough brick, which occupies a full wall of the sunny store.

Free samples of Starbucks' famous brew welcomed patrons; among them



Shakira and Renaissance F and B Mgr John Grigg cut the ribbon

were Renaissance GM Paul Gielen, Starbucks' Regional Manager Martha Arias and Paseo Herencia owners Alex Lovera and Dan Oduber. The

mall's General Manager, Valerie Camacho-Pietersz and Sales and Marketing Manager Candy Rasmijn were both anxious to sample food



Renaissance GM Paul Gielen and Starbucks Regional Manager Martha Arias



Paseo owners Alex and Dan with friends

and beverages from the appealing menu and are "simply thrilled to have this prestigious vendor join our

roster of fine shops and eateries."

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During the opening, Shariska "tipped her hat" to District Manager Samady Medina from Puerto Rico, who is joining the Aruba team for the next two years.

It was literally a stampede of coffee, or more so, Starbucks addicts into the new store, with one of the nearby shopkeepers commenting, "I don't really like Starbucks coffee-I LOVE Starbucks; I am thrilled they have opened this outlet here in the mall. Everyone knows where they will find me every morning from now on."

The menu also includes a diverse selection of refreshing fruit shakes and icy fruit teas, making it a great rest and refreshment stop at any time of the day.



Artist Stan Kuiperi Paseo GM Valerie and Candy



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## Sci-Tech

### Smartphones: Android Pulling Away From The Pack



Google Android is opening up a substantial lead over Apple and other platforms in the U.S. smartphone market, new data from ComScore suggests.

In July, Android devices accounted for 41.8% of the U.S. smartphone user base, up from 36.4% three months earlier. Apple inched up to 27%, from 26%.

Meanwhile, Samsung increased its lead in terms of mobile handsets. The South Korean giant accounted for 25.5% of U.S. smart phone users in July, up a point from three months earlier. LG maintained second place, steady at 20.9%, with Motorola slipping to 14.1%, from 15.6%, while Apple moved up to 9.5%, from 8.3%.



FRANCE, Saint-Paul-les-Durance : Picture of the site of the future International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (Iter) taken on August 30, 2011 in Saint-Paul-les-Durance. Iter was set up by the EU, which has a 45 percent share, China, India, South Korea, Japan, Russia and the US to research a clean and limitless alternative to dwindling fossil fuel reserves. AFP PHOTO

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### Scientists find underground river beneath Amazon

SAO PAULO (AFP) - Brazilian scientists have discovered an underground river some 4,000 meters (13,000) feet deep, which flows from west to east like the country's famous waterway.

A statement this week from Brazil's National Observatory named the underground river Hamza and said it represents one of two different draining systems for the large rainforest region.

A team of scientists led by Elizabeth Pimentel came to the conclusion from studying 241 wells drilled by the state oil giant Petrobras in the Amazon region.

Even though the two rivers cover a similar path they have differences. The



underground river flows at a far slower pace and empties into the ocean deep underground.

"It is likely that this river is responsible for the low level of salinity in the waters around the mouth of the Amazon," the statement said.

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## Health & Living

### Canada warns not to buy 'fresh' semen online

OTTAWA (AFP) - Canada's health agency on Tuesday warned would-be parents not to purchase "fresh" semen online, saying it may be tainted with infectious diseases.

Donor semen obtained through "questionable means," may not have been screened or tested, and therefore may not be safe the government agency said.

Canada has strict controls for obtaining donor semen to minimize the potential risk of transmitting serious infectious diseases. The regulations require that donor semen must be quarantined for a minimum of six months, and donors must be screened and tested before the donation and six months after.

The sellers may claim that the semen donors were properly screened and tested. But "such claims may not be true," Health Canada warned.

The agency listed infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B or C, syphilis, chlamydia, or gonorrhea that could be passed to both a mother and children born through the use of donor semen.

It also directed Canadians to a list of approved semen processors and importers on its website that are subject to regular inspections.

The agency's warning is the second issued in the past year in response to media reports of online advertisements directed at Canadians seeking to become parents through assisted conception.

Health Canada spokesman Gary Holub told AFP "no actual case (of infection) prompted the warning." "We're just being diligent."

### Guatemala finds 5 who survived deadly US research

GUATEMALA CITY (AFP) - The Guatemalan government said Tuesday it has tracked down five survivors from a deadly US government research project on sexually transmitted diseases that killed scores of its people.

"So far we have located five men who live in the western part of the country," said Vice President Rafael Espada, who heads up a Guatemalan commission tasked with investigating the US-run research program.

"They'll be brought to the capital to undergo medical tests" to determine if they suffered any adverse after-effects from the American experimentation, Espada said.

A report ordered by President Barack Obama concluded Monday that at least 83 male test subjects died after being used as human guinea pigs during the American research on venereal disease, conducted between 1946 and 1948.

All told, more than 1,300 people were exposed to venereal diseases by human contact or by inoculations during the research to test the efficacy of penicillin in combating the ailment, the US presidential commission found.

The report found that fewer than 700 test subjects who took part in the research projected conducted by the US National Institutes of Health (NIH) ever received the appropriate medical treatment for venereal disease.

Obama personally apolo-

gized to Guatemala's President Alvaro Colom last October before ordering a thorough review of the experiment, which Secretary of State Hillary Clinton described as "clearly unethical." Colom, meanwhile, calling the experiments a "crime against humanity," ordered his own investigation.

## Health Tip:

### Heat cramps

Heat cramps are painful, involuntary muscle spasms that usually occur during heavy exercise in hot environments. The spasms may be more intense and more prolonged than are typical nighttime leg cramps. Inadequate fluid intake often contributes to heat cramps.

Muscles most often affected include those of your calves, arms, abdominal wall and back, although heat cramps may involve any muscle group involved in exercise.

If you suspect heat cramps:

- Rest briefly and cool down
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Peter Steinmetz

The North American market has been overall flat compared to 2010, whilst the Netherlands Antilles grew by 19.4%. The European market showed a strong increase of 8.0% compared to 2010 mainly due to the satisfactory performance of the Dutch market. In addition the Italian charter between Milan and Aruba is performing well and is increasing in amount of passengers. The Latin American Market, especially the Venezuelan market, is experiencing a steady recovery with a growth of 25.4%. Flights on major gateways like Bogota and Panama City saw strong load factors, whilst flight to Brazil and Venezuela improved significantly.

‘Strong increase in traffic for the six (6) months of 2011, and also July, gives us a reason for further optimism about the remainder of the year’ said Peter Steinmetz, Chief Executive Officer of AAA. ‘We are in constant contact with our airline partners in order to ensure that we retain our air service and route network. Demand for the destination is pivotal in this equation and we work closely with our tourism partners supporting their marketing and efforts to increase bookings.’

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## New Labor Department making big Stripes...

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sistance and will find them work. Others who are only fooling around will eventu-

ally be denied this service. This also applies to employers who come with deception and are not serious in their intent.

The protocol and rules between DPL, DIMAS and the Ministry of Integration has demonstrated that the system in place is functioning perfectly. Obviously, whenever necessary the system can be adjusted or adapted.

The most important objec-

tive in the entire process is to help those who indeed and in fact are looking for a job to find employment. And, to stop the deceptive phenomena of fictitious job vacancies.

One other important objective is to assist companies who are looking for employees and can't find, to help them get the employees they need. To help these entrepreneurs to get positive advices

from DIMAS so they can continue the process of obtaining work permits for employees they can not get locally.

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EST and lasts until today, Wednesday August 31st 24:00 EST.

To celebrate its fifth birthday InselAir has announced a huge 3 day blowout sale. "People always know the birthday

sale is coming," Edward Heerenveen, Chief General and International Affairs stated, "this year we will do a big 5 years Celebration Sale in all our destinations. Tickets

will be available at all InselAir offices, our website but also all other ticket sales points such as travel agents. It's our birthday and when it's your 5th birthday you go big."

The airline will also donate one guilder for each sale ticket to the InselAir Community Fund. At the end of the Sale period, InselAir will double the amount of guilders that will be donated to the Fund.

The InselAir Community Fund was established in 2007 and focuses around Youth, Sports, Local culture and education and Community Service. Each year InselAir sponsors many different events varying from large cultural events such as carnival, to the local domino or kite tournaments. The airline is very proactive in the sponsorship field and feels that a better community only can be created together with the communities it serves.

"Sponsorships are a great way to stay connected and show concern with our passengers, their family, friends and communities" says Heerenveen. The airline that is also proud sponsor of many local youth teams, feels it is time to start promoting the Community Fund a bit more. "In order to give back to our communities we will donate one guilder from each sold sale ticket to the Community Fund. After the sale InselAir will double this amount," stated by CEO Albert Kluyver, "In due time we will announce a special cause to which the Community Fund will make a large contribution."

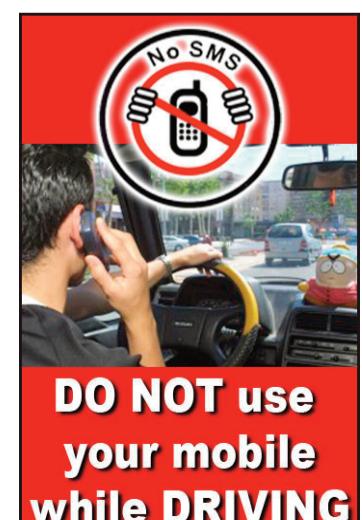
Besides giving back to the communities it serves, InselAir which usually does not give Insel StarMiles on sale tickets will make an exception for its 5 year celebration sale. "With this sale we will also give Insel StarMiles with each ticket. The Insel StarMiles program

enables customers to save for free tickets and other specials", Jurgen Lippinkhof, Chief Commercial Officer added, "in the near future we will also add the possibility of donating miles to our Insel Community Fund to the program. This way we would like to present our passengers with the opportunity to give back to the community through our fund."

Tickets will be available online and at all InselAir sale points, such as InselAir ticket offices and travel agents. Sale tickets are valid for travel until December 10th, 2011. In order to draw people to their Facebook page, the airline will give away tickets to those who post the ticket they booked during the sale on Facebook.

Lippinkhof stated "Since we started using our Facebook page primarily as a customer relations tool, it is good to see the participation of our customers. We often give away tickets, travel advice and information on the destinations we serve. Our Facebook page has also become a space where questions are answered and customer concerns are addressed.

InselAir, is looking forward to the sale and has expressed hope that "everybody finds that ticket they are looking for."



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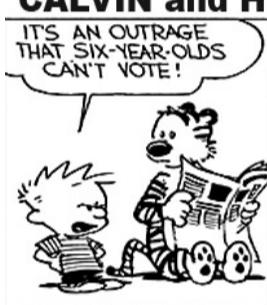


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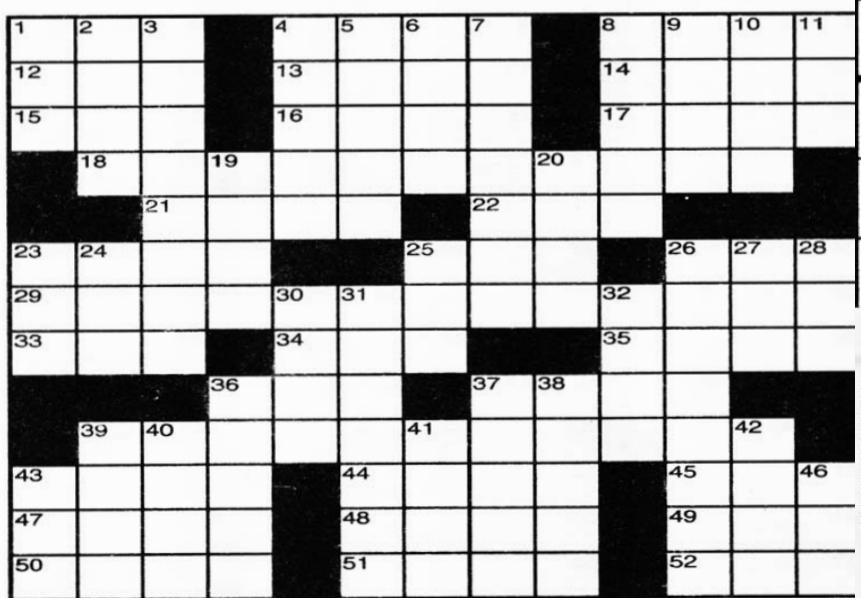
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29. John Newland anthology
33. Mal de \_\_\_\_ (seasickness)
34. Guitar, informally
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## Finance

### US stocks rise on hopes of Fed action

NEW YORK (AFP) - US stocks closed with modest gains on Tuesday after newly released minutes from the Federal Reserve's key policy committee raised hopes that the Fed would act to boost the ailing economy.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 20.70 points (0.18 percent) to close at 11,559.95.

The broader S&P 500 climbed 2.84 points (0.23 percent) to 1,212.92, while the tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite jumped 14.00 points (0.55 percent) to close at 2,576.11.

After opening with losses, the markets crept upwards and closed higher after minutes of the August 9 meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee showed members discussing what to do if the economy continued to stall.

The committee has been deeply split between those who believe the Fed should further loosen monetary policy to juice the economy and those who fear that such steps would raise the risk of inflation.

The latest FOMC minutes suggested that opponents of stimulus were weakening their opposition in light of the disappointing condition of the US economy, said Marc Pado, chief US market strategist for Cantor Fitzgerald.

In the latest sign of US economic weakness, a survey by the Conference Board showed that consumer confidence plunged in August to its lowest level in more than two years.

In company news, Boeing shares gained 2.2 percent after the aviation giant launched an upgraded version of its popular 737 airplane powered by a

more fuel-efficient engine and reported strong demand from airlines.

Bank of America shares sank 3.2 percent after a US government agency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, challenged its proposed \$8.5 billion settlement aimed at resolving claims from the sub-prime-mortgage debacle.

The bank, whose stock is down more than 16 percent over the past month, was also hit with a lawsuit over an \$1.75 billion pool of mortgages, many of which went into default as the US housing price bubble collapsed.

Bond prices rose. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note dropped to 2.18 percent from 2.27 percent late Monday, while that on the 30-year bond fell to 3.51 percent from 3.62 percent.

### Insurers escape the worst of Hurricane Irene

ZURICH (AFP) - Global insurance companies have got off relatively lightly with Hurricane Irene and it is just as well because their earnings this year were already under pressure from other natural disasters, analysts say.

Irene ploughed along the US and Canadian eastern seaboard at the weekend after causing perhaps a billion dollars worth of damage in the Caribbean.

"We do not believe that the magnitude of this event is such

that it will significantly influence the industry's creditworthiness," Standard and Poor's said in a report Tuesday.

But "because of the magnitude and the frequency of the catastrophe losses year-to-date, we believe that reinsurers' 2011 earnings will erode," the ratings agency said.

S&P put the insurance losses at around \$5 billion (3.46 billion euros), in line with French bank Societe Generale's estimate.

The figure is very significantly lower than the \$72.3 billion in damages caused by Hurricane Katrina in 2005 which ripped through New

Orleans.

"Major losses are likely to come from New York, for business interruption given the hundreds of flights that were cancelled, reduced hotel occupancy rates and disruption to utility companies," it said.

IHS Global Insight noted that if insured property damages reached up to \$5 billion, it would suggest total economic losses of up to \$15 billion.

A US insurance estimator AIR Worldwide earlier said insured damages in the Caribbean and Bahamas meanwhile could reach \$1.1 billion.

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### UN committee allows Britain to send \$1.6 billion to Libya



UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - The UN sanctions committee on Libya on Tuesday gave Britain the greenlight to release \$1.6 billion in seized assets to buy emergency aid, after China lifted a block, diplomats said.

Germany also has asked to release about one billion euros (\$1.4 billion dollars) in seized assets, and France wants to unfreeze about five billion euros (\$7.2 billion) to help buy humanitarian aid and keep essential services going in Libya. It was not immediately known if they have been given the green light, however.

China's UN mission, a key member of the UN Security Council sanctions committee, lifted its block on Britain's move after getting approval from the Beijing government, diplomats said.

The money held in Britain is 1.86 billion Libyan dinar in banknotes printed by a British firm.

Britain's Foreign Secretary William Hague welcomed the decision to let his government send back the 200 million banknotes to Libya's central bank.

"This represents another major step forward in getting necessary assistance to the Libyan people, building on the remarkable progress in recent days," Hague said in a statement released at the UN headquarters.

"These banknotes, which were frozen in the UK under UN sanctions, will help address urgent humanitarian needs, instill confidence in the banking sector, pay salaries of key public sector workers and free up liquidity in the economy."

The United States was given approval to send about \$1.5 billion in seized assets back to Libya last week, after a dispute with South Africa over whether easing UN sanctions implied recognizing Libya's rebel government fighting Moamer Kadhafi.

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## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest



Gold Coast entrance at night

Managers of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, report that sales are picking up nicely as the global economy begins to recover and those with a bit of disposal income are looking to invest in a sure thing. Gold Coast Directing Manager Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners are barely using the villas or town homes they purchase, but taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community; in this area, the value of properties has only increased over time. It is minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy run Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project; the scope and amenities. We talked to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who dreamed of their

own home in Aruba will eventually be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional pools decks, one of which has been open for a year, the other will be ready for the holidays 2010. They expect the clubhouse to be ready for the community with a workout room and spectacular facilities by the end of 2011. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the management association's rental service,



There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, making it easy for some owners to earn their mortgage payments or others to see an immediate return on their investment.

The design of the structures is open, airy and spacious, fully deploying the island environment, with the finest quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options for clients, so buyers can individualize their

homes. An elegant and chic standard package is available, or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast managers have inaugurated a number of in-house services and are now negotiating with Interval International to provide a huge international pool for investors to tap for renters either short or long term. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination will also be available. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour

security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, babysitting and catering services are also available for community members as well as airport pick-up and drop-off and pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can all be arranged through their home management department.

Visit their website: [www.goldcoastaruba.com](http://www.goldcoastaruba.com) for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

## Dos Locos in Eagle Beach: the kind of place where everyone knows your name

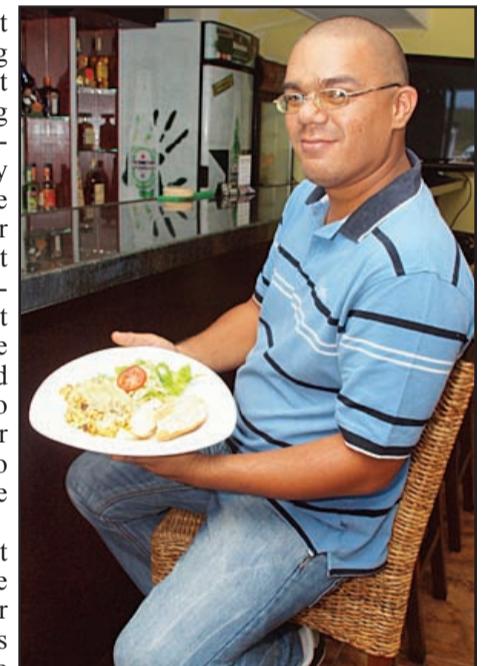


Steak Caballo with plantain and chimichurri sauce

There is a ditty that was the theme song of a long-running hit TV series extolling the virtues of frequenting a homey sort of place "where everyone knows your name;" you might find yourself humming it as you sit down to enjoy some authentic local food at "Dos Locos" (Two Crazies) named for their owners, Leo Stamper and his wife Madeleine.

"People thought we were just a little nuts opening our restaurant in this somewhat out of the way spot," confides Leo, "but it has always been our dream, to share our Aruban food with island visitors." Though actually only a very short stroll from all the Eagle Beach Resorts, Dos Locos is tucked away on the little side road adjacent to La Quinta Resort, and could easily be overlooked, which would be a pity for those who would like a sample of local cuisine. The menu also features some international favorites, such as Chicken Parmesan and fresh fish, which Leo obtains down at the docks every morning. Be sure to inquire about their Special of the Day.

A simple, cozy spot, it has, since December, garnered a following among residents for his quick service and healthy food using as little oil as possible in their dishes. THE MORNING NEWS team gives their version of one of Aruba's signature dishes, Keshi Yena (Filled Cheese) a big thumbs up, and particularly recommends their homemade desserts. Hamburgers are also



Leo Stamper, on half of the Dos Locos

made of fresh choice beef when ordered, not frozen patties.

Chef Joey is a woman, and she understands chocolate! What they call chocolate cake is actually huge, moist and one of the best brownies we have ever had anywhere, just the way we like it. Add a scoop of ice cream and this makes an indulgent meal on its own, or share, as it is too much dessert for one. Same for their quesillo, a heartier regional version of flan, which is also a rich, delicious dessert enough for two.

Dos Locos serves a very reasonably priced breakfast from 10:00 until noon, and lunch, dinner and local snacks from 11:00 AM to 11:30 PM Tuesdays through Sundays; congenial activities that make it a nice place "where everyone knows your name" is Saturday Karaoke nights, starting at 10:00 PM and Sunday night "Happy Hour" from 6:00 to 10:00 PM featuring live music and \$3 bar.

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## Season 13 Cast of Dancing With the Stars



The much waited for lineup for the 13th season of Dancing With the Stars was announced yesterday. Below is the complete list of contestants:

- \* Ron Artest, 31, NBA star
- \* Elisabetta Canalis, 32, Italian actress
- \* Kristin Cavallari, 24, former star of Laguna Beach and The Hills

\*Chynna Phillips, 43, pop singer

\*David Arquette, 39, actor

\*Carson Kressley, 41, TV personality and style expert

\*Nancy Grace, 51, HLN host

\* J.R. Martinez, 28, Army vet and All My Children star

\*Hope Solo, U.S. soccer player

\* Ricki Lake, 42, actress and talk-show host

\*Rob Kardashian, 24, Keeping Up With the Kardashians star

\*Chaz Bono, 42, author and star of Becoming Chaz

We won't get partner names until later, but until then we can certainly speculate.

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## Judge bars former Jackson doctors from testifying

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - A US judge on Monday barred defense attorneys for Michael Jackson's doctor, who stands accused of involuntary manslaughter, from calling the singer's former physicians as witnesses.

The move will hurt the defense team for Conrad Murray, which had hoped the other doctors would help support their theory that the "King of Pop" -- who died in June 2009 at age 50 -- was addicted to drugs.

Los Angeles Superior Court judge Michael Pastor agreed to a motion by prosecutors to exclude six of Jackson's former doctors -- including his long-time dermatologist, Arnold Klein -- from the list of approved witnesses.

In court papers filed Monday, defense attorneys Edward Chernoff and Nareg Gourjian alleged that Klein "administered frequent intramuscular injections of Demerol to Mr. Jackson for no valid medical purpose," and that Jackson "became physiologically and psychologically dependent on Demerol."

"I do not think it is relevant," Pastor said. He told the defense they could not make any reference to the 2003 search of Jackson's ranch in Santa Barbara county, saying that it had no bearing on his death.

Chernoff argued that the testimony would show that

Jackson was "addicted to and withdrawing from Demerol" -- a factor he said was "important to our defense" -- but to no avail.

Pastor said he would allow testimony from two other doctors, Allen Metzger and David Adams. Murray's defense team says Jackson asked Metzger in April 2009 to give him an intravenous sedative, a request the physician refused to grant.

Adams meanwhile gave Jackson the anesthetic propofol -- an overdose of which later led to his death -- on four occasions in 2008, after the singer had oral surgery. Jackson also used the drug as a sleep aid.

Pastor also approved testimony from a nurse who treated Jackson in 2009.

Murray, the last doctor to treat Jackson, is on trial for involuntary homicide in Jackson's death on June 25, 2009. He was in charge of administering propofol to the star.

Murray faces up to four years in prison if convicted.

His defense team is expected to argue that Jackson gave himself an excessive dose of the drug while the doctor was out of the room at the singer's mansion in the affluent Holmby Hills neighborhood west of Los Angeles.

Jury selection will begin on September 8, with opening statements scheduled for the end of next month.



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# Ever so easy for Djokovic



NEW YORK (AFP) - All-conquering Novak Djokovic found the going even easier than expected at the US Open on Tuesday, as food poisoning hampered the challenge of first-round opponent Conor Niland.

The qualifier from Ireland, ranked 197th in the world, wasn't expected to pose much problem for Djokovic, who has surged to the top of the world rankings with nine titles this season -- including two Grand Slams.

But a bout of food poisoning that lingered from Sunday morning had left the 29-year-old Niland physically weakened, and Djokovic needed just 44 minutes to take a 6-0, 5-1 lead before Niland called it a day.

"I felt great on the court, and that's something that's really important for the start of the tournament," Djokovic said of his abbreviated appearance on the Arthur Ashe stadium.

The quick match may prove a boon for Djokovic, who suffered just his second defeat of the season when he retired from the Cincinnati final against Andy Murray.

this month with a sore shoulder.

"I don't think I'm lacking any time on the court or matches," said Djokovic, who has won 57 of his 59 matches this year and lifted nine titles. "This year has been a very long year. So I really don't mind that I spend less time on the court."

"It's unfortunate for my opponent, obviously. He had food poisoning he told me after the match."

Djokovic was part of a stellar line-up on the Ashe court on Tuesday along with women's world number one Caroline Wozniacki, defending men's champion Rafael Nadal and 13-time Grand Slam champion Serena Williams.

Wozniacki cruised into the second round with a 6-3, 6-1 victory over 125th-ranked Nuria Llagostera Vives.

While the top-seeded Dane is keen to claim a maiden Grand Slam title, she again bristled at suggestions that she needs a major crown to validate her number one status.

"I think we should move on," she said as the questions

flared again. "Ask me about something else, something more interesting."

But the fact remains that while Wozniacki has consolidated her spot atop the rankings with half a dozen titles this season -- the most recent at New Haven on Saturday -- she has flopped in Grand Slams, with a semi-final exit in Australia, a third-round defeat at Roland Garros and a fourth-round loss at Wimbledon.

Since then she suffered early exits at Bastad, Toronto and Cincinnati and dropped her father Piotr as her coach.

Wozniacki looked good against Llagostera, breaking her for the fourth time to seal the victory and facing just one break point in the match.

Fourth-seeded Victoria Azarenka of Belarus also advanced with ease, beating Sweden's Johanna Larsson 6-1, 6-3.

"There are always things that could have been done better, but I think I had a pretty solid start," said Azarenka, who drew the short straw among the top women's seeds when she was put on a path to a possible third-round clash with Williams.

Williams is seeded just 28 here, after a rankings slide due to her nearly year-long absence with a series of health problems.

Williams has nevertheless stamped herself a favorite with two hardcourt victories in the build-up to the Open, and her potential third-round clash with Azarenka was the talk of the draw last week.

Azarenka insisted she wasn't worrying about Williams just yet.

"I'm not interested about that before I go out there," she said. "We'll talk about it later maybe."

In other early matches, Spanish fifth seed David Ferrer rallied to reach the second round with a 2-6, 6-3, 6-0, 6-4 victory over Russian Igor Andreev.

French 11th seed Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, who missed the US Open last year with a knee injury, returned with a 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Taiwan's Lu Yen-Hsun.

Wimbledon semi-finalist Sabine Lisicki of Germany romped to a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Alona Bondarenko in just 70 minutes.

Lisicki, who arrived in New York fresh from a WTA triumph in Dallas on Saturday, booked a second-round clash with two-time US Open champion Venus Williams.



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## Dravid set for T20 debut as India lose Gambhir



MANCHESTER (AFP) - Veteran India batsman Rahul Dravid is set to play his first -- and last -- Twenty20 international in the one-off game against England at Old Trafford here on Wednesday after Gautam Gambhir became the latest player to leave an injury-hit tour.

The 38-year-old Dravid was one of India's few successes in their recent 4-0 Test series defeat by England, scoring three hundreds as the hosts replaced the injury-hit tourists at the top of the ICC's Test standings.

That series ended at The Oval just over a week ago in a match where Gambhir suffered an injury after falling on his head trying to take a catch.

And with the opening batsman ruled out on Tuesday of both the Twenty20 international and the subsequent five one-dayers against England, that means Dravid, the second highest run scorer in Test history behind India team-mate Sachin Tendulkar and with 339 one-

day internationals to his credit, is set to make a T20 debut for his country. If he plays, it will also be Dravid's last Twenty20 match for India as he has said he will retire from shorter formats of the international game after this tour to concentrate on prolonging his illustrious Test career.

## Arsenal agree Park Chu-Young deal

LONDON (AFP) - Beleaguered Premier League side Arsenal said Tuesday they had agreed a deal to sign striker Park Chu-Young from French club AS Monaco.

The 26-year-old South Korea captain scored 25 times in 91 appearances for the French club during three seasons in Ligue 1 and replaced Manchester United's Park Ji-Sung as captain of the national side earlier this year.

His arrival at the Emirates is a timely boost for Arsenal following their 8-2 thrashing by champions Manchester United last week -- the first time in over a century the London club have conceded eight goals in a game.

"We are delighted to have signed Chu," Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger told the club's website.

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## McIlroy fit to go at European Masters

CRANS SUR SIERRE, (AFP) - Northern Ireland's US Open champion Rory McIlroy said on Wednesday he is fit to resume competition at this week's European Masters despite some slight numbness in his right shoulder.

Warm sunshine greeted the current World No. 6 when he played an 18-hole practice round Tuesday on the Crans-sur-Sierre course.

It was the 22-year-old's first full practice round since competing in the recent PGA Championship in Atlanta.

It was during the season-ending Major that McIlroy injured his right wrist in playing what most observers still believe was a reckless shot from up against a tree root at the third hole on day one of the championship at the Atlanta Athletic Club.

"The wrist is fine and I'm good to play," he said on Tuesday after his practice round here.

"I'm rid of the bandages on my wrist, and I'm off the pain-killers and anti-inflammatory's.

"The only slight concern, and it's only slight and it's only when I am not swinging a golf club but the area around my shoulder feels like

it's dead or numb.

"I've been told there's a little bit of an impingement in the front part of my shoulder but with some continued treatment and massaging I will be fine.

"But it's not worrying me and there's problem in playing any shots, and it's not holding me back in any way, and I'm not protecting or favouring it in any way."

McIlroy's presence on the Swiss course certainly drew much interest and especially when he made his way to the 16th green.

McIlroy will play the opening two rounds of the Swiss event, where he finished runner-up on debut in 2008, in the company of defending champion Miguel Angel Jimenez and exciting Korean Seung-yul Noh.

## Argentina 'serious' about Venezuela game in India

ARGENTINA (AFP)--New Argentina coach Alejandro Sabella has described his team's clash with Venezuela in India on Friday as more than just a friendly because expectations are so high.

"It is an extremely important match both for me and the team. There are huge expectations from us back home and it is a big responsibility," Sabella told Tuesday's Times of India ahead of the match in Kolkata.

The FIFA-sanctioned friendly will be the first match as Argentina coach for the 56-year-old Sabella, who replaced sacked Sergio Batista last month.

"My primary concern is about the fitness of the squad. I am hoping that all the players would be fit and ready for the match. We have a good team, and if everyone is fit, we are confident of getting a favourable result," he said.

The match at the Salt Lake Stadium will also provide a rare opportunity for Indian fans to see two-time World Player of the Year Lionel Messi in action.

The Argentina squad will

also travel to Bangladesh for another friendly against Nigeria on September 6. They will also play two games against Brazil ahead of World Cup qualifiers which get underway in October.

Football is yet to take off in cricket-mad India despite enjoying considerable success in the 1950s and 1960s when they won two Asian Games gold medals.

MLB Standings									
American League			National League						
East	W	L	Pct	GB	East	W	L	Pct	GB
BOSTON	82	51	.617	--	PHILADELPHIA	83	46	.643	--
NY YANKEES	78	51	.605	2.0	ATLANTA	79	54	.594	6.0
TAMPA	72	59	.550	9.0	NY METS	62	68	.477	21.5
TORONTO	66	66	.500	15.5	WASHINGTON	62	69	.473	22.0
BALTIMORE	52	77	.403	28.0	FLORIDA	59	72	.450	25.0
Central									
DETROIT	73	59	.553	--	MILWAUKEE	80	54	.597	--
CLEVELAND	65	64	.504	6.5	ST. LOUIS	69	64	.519	10.5
CHICAGO	65	65	.500	7.0	CINCINNATI	66	66	.500	13.0
MINNESOTA	55	77	.417	18	PITTSBURG	62	70	.470	17.0
KANSAS	54	79	.406	19.5	CHICAGO	57	76	.429	22.5
West									
TEXAS	75	59	.560	--	HOUSTON	43	90	.323	36.5
LA ANGELES	72	60	.545	2.0	ARIZONA	74	59	.556	--
OAKLAND	60	73	.451	14.5	SAN FRANCISCO	71	62	.534	3.0
SEATTLE	56	75	.427	17.5	COLORADO	63	70	.474	11.0
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## Brazil on schedule for World Cup, Olympics: Rousseff

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Preparations for the 2014 football World Cup and 2016 Olympic Games are proceeding at a good clip, with nine of 10 stadiums likely finished next year, Brazil's President Dilma Rousseff said Tuesday.

"The renovation and construction of the stadiums is proceeding at an adequate pace," Rousseff said during her weekly press conference.

In June, world soccer body FIFA had expressed concern over what it said was the slow pace of building and transportation improvements ahead of the World Cup.

But Rousseff told reporters that earlier problems that had slowed the construction of the

Itaquerão Stadium in São Paulo have been resolved, and that conditions now are in place to begin work on a stadium in Natal in northeastern Brazil.

Rousseff added that efforts also are underway to modernize Brazil's airports, after organizers of the two massive sporting events fretted that the country might not be prepared to handle the crush of tourists during the high profile games.

"Among the six airports in the host cities, the modernization work has already begun," the Brazilian leader said, adding that five other contracts are ready to be presented to builders so that they too can begin their renovation work.

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## Bonds' sentencing set for December

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - A US federal judge has set December 16 as the date for sentencing American baseball's home run leader Barry Bonds on an obstruction of justice conviction.

US District Judge Susan Illston on Tuesday set Bonds'

sentencing date after she rejected a bid from Bonds' lawyers to have an obstruction of justice conviction set aside.

A jury of eight women and four men found in April that Bonds had misled a 2003 grand jury investigating a steroids ring by giving an

evasive answer to a question about injectable drugs.

While jurors deadlocked on three other perjury counts after nearly four days of deliberations, they unanimously agreed Bonds had been intentionally evasive and misleading.

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